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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4, as follows:

This ~~application~~application is based on and incorporates herein by reference Japanese Patent Applications No. 2003-51790 filed on February 27, 2003 and No. 2003-410907 filed December 9, 2003.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 36, line 25, as follows:

The above embodiments may be modified or ~~altered~~altered without departing from the scope and spirit of the invention.